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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Application No.	10/689,283
Filing Date	October 20, 2003
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Group Art Unit	3611
Examiner Name	Gary Chapman Hoge
Attorney Docket No	502454

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other:
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Form PTO-1449
- v. ☐ Copies of References listed in Form PTO-1449
(except for U.S. patents and applications)
- vi. ☐ Other:

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27
- c. ☐ Other:

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

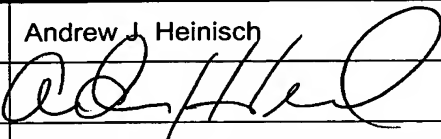
- a. ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3505 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.
- i. ☒ RCE fee of \$395.00 (small entity) required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ One-month extension of time fee of \$120.00 (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Petition for an extension of time (including the period noted above, if checked), as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3505 for the appropriate petition fee.
- iv. ☐ Suspension of action fee of \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i))
- v. ☐ Other:
- vi. ☐ Claim fee

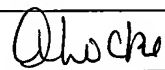
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b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the above fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-3505												

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8			
I hereby certify that this RCE Transmittal and any accompanying documents is, on the date indicated below, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or <input type="checkbox"/> being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at facsimile number (703) 872-9306.			
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